



Cultural Arts & Community Events

June 2010 Calendar Of Events

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PROGRAMS SUBJECT TO CHANGE

Folk Dancing with Ethnic Express

Wednesdays, June 2, 9, 16, 23 and 30; 6:30 to 8:45 p.m.

Tickets: \$4 per person, per day

Charleston Heights Arts Center, 800 S. Brush St., (702) 229-6383.

All ages are welcome to join the Ethnic Express Folk Dancers weekly for an international evening of fun! Learn dances from many cultures, including Greek, Serbian, Chinese, Russian and American. These dances are the aerobics of our ancestors. No registration required.

Global Heritage Dance From Around the World

Thursdays, June 3, 17 and 24, 6:30 to 8:45 p.m.

Fee: \$4 per class

Charleston Heights Arts Center, 800 S. Brush St., (702) 229-6383.

Global Heritage Dance presents 50 dances from around the world during this 18-week series for couples and sets. Gentlemen, bring a lady! Ladies, bring a gentleman! Friends, bring your friends! All are encouraged to attend. Dances are gender neutral. Don't miss out on these exciting and fun international folk dances for couples and sets.

Free Ward 1 Summer Splash & Safety Event (all ages)

Friday, June 4, 6 to 8 p.m.

Bill & Lillie Heinrich YMCA, 4141 Meadows Lane.

Enjoy complimentary open swimming, swim toy giveaways and summertime treats while supplies last. Summer safety tips will be provided. For more information, call 229-6405.

Rainbow Company Youth Theatre Presents "Jack and the Beanstalk" (all ages)

June 4, 5, 10, 11 and 12 at 7 p.m.; June 6, 12 and 13 at 2 p.m.

Tickets: \$7 adults; \$5 seniors/teens; \$3 children 12 years and younger

Charleston Heights Arts Center, 800 S. Brush St., (702) 229-6383.

Jack's daring climb to the clouds, in pursuit of a bright future, is just the beginning of the suspense and fun as our hero outwits the socially challenged giant. Presented in a highly theatrical, stylized fashion, all ages will be tickled by the witty dialogue and entertaining antics in this ingenious retelling of a favorite folktale.

Free Ward 4 Summer Splash (all ages)

Saturday, June 5, noon to 2 p.m.

City of Las Vegas Durango Hills Community Center, 3521 N. Durango Drive at Gowan Road.

Celebrate the beginning of summer with fun in the pool, DJ, games and light refreshments while supplies last. For more information, call 229-2524.

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The Arts Conservatory Camp (ages 7-16)

June 7-July 30, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., \$800; June 7-July 10, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., \$550;

Theatre Camp July 12-July 31, 9 a.m.-4 p.m., \$350.

Reed Whipple Cultural Center, 821 Las Vegas Blvd. North, (702) 229-6211.

This popular camp offers participants the opportunity to engage in a variety of arts disciplines, including visual and language arts, dance, music and theatre. Camp concludes in performances and exhibitions for the city. Registration must be in person at Reed Whipple Cultural Center. Orientation dates and times will be scheduled during registration process. Early drop-off and late-pick-up are included in prices. Space is limited. Ask about multiple child discounts and financial assistance, which may be available to qualified applicants. Call 229-6211 for additional information and details.

Free Summer Youth Animated Film Series (all ages)

Thursdays, June 10, 17 and 24, 1:30 p.m.

East Las Vegas Community/Senior Center, 250 N. Eastern Ave., (702) 229-1515.

With support from Century Link, La Nueva 103.5 FM, Recuerdo 99.3 FM and Radio Variedades 870 AM.

- June 10 – “The Princess and the Frog”

Set in New Orleans’ French Quarter, this return to hand-drawn animation is a modern twist on a classic tale. A beautiful girl named Tiana finds a frog prince who desperately wants to be human again and with a fateful kiss, leads them on a hilarious adventure through the mystical bayous of Louisiana. This 2009 film is rated G and runs 97 minutes.

- June 17 – “Up”

Carl Fredricksen spent his entire life dreaming of exploring the globe. Now in his 78th year, he launches his house into the sky via thousands of balloons. Right after liftoff he discovers he has a stowaway in the form of an overly optimistic 8-year-old Wilderness Explorer named Russell. This hilarious journey takes you into a lost world with the least likely duo on Earth. This 2009 film is rated PG and runs 96 minutes.

- June 24 – “Monsters vs. Aliens”

When a meteorite from outer space hits a young girl and douses her with the alien liquid Quantonium, it turns her into a 48-foot monster. She is taken to a secret government compound where she meets a ragtag group of monsters also rounded up over the years. This crew of reluctant heroes is asked to save the earth from the evil alien Gallaxhar in this animated comedy. This 2009 film is rated PG and runs 94 minutes.

Free Family Film in the Park (all ages)

Friday, June 11, 8 p.m.

Centennial Hills Park Amphitheatre, 7101 N. Buffalo Drive at Deer Springs Way.

Enjoy the PG-rated “Where the Wild Things Are” family film under the stars. Please call 229-1087 in case of inclement weather to confirm event will take place.

Free Jazz on the Green Concert (all ages)

Saturday, June 12, 7 p.m.

Centennial Hills Park Amphitheatre, 7101 N. Buffalo Drive at Deer Springs Way

Bring blankets, folding chairs, and picnics to enjoy an evening of cool jazz under the stars, featuring Brian Bromberg and his band with the Fat City Horns. Pets and glass containers are not permitted. Call 229-1087 for information. Presented in collaboration with Vegas Jazz.

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7th Annual Daddy Daughter Dance (all ages)

Saturday, June 12, 7 to 10 p.m.

Tickets: \$3 general admission

East Las Vegas Community/Senior Center Ballroom, 250 N. Eastern Ave., (702) 229-1515.

Celebrate Father's Day at the 7th Annual Daddy Daughter Dance by bringing the entire family to this magical event that includes contests, prizes and a disc jockey to play English and Spanish music. Presented with support from *La Nueva 103.5 FM*, *Recuerdo 99.3 FM* and *Radio Variedades 870 AM*.

Youth Performing for Youth Summer Series – Kravenko Dance Academy (all ages)

Wednesday, June 16, 1 p.m.

Tickets: \$3

Reed Whipple Cultural Center, 821 Las Vegas Blvd. North, (702) 229-6211.

Enjoy a performance by this youth ballet and dance company. Treat your children to live theatre experiences this summer and enjoy Las Vegas' very own talented young artists as they present afternoons of live entertainment June 16, 23 and 30. Choose from dancers, singers or percussionists, or better yet, attend all three events. Tickets are just \$3 for each performance.

Downtown Cultural Series Concert - Lee Hughes Trio (all ages)

Friday, June 18, noon to 1 p.m.

Free admission, open to the public.

Lloyd D. George Federal Courthouse Jury Assembly Room, 333 Las Vegas Blvd. South.

Vocalist Lee Hughes, guitarist Ed Paliotta and pianist Joey Farina will feature jazz stylings from the Great American Songbook. Call (702) 229-3515 for more information.

Scottish Country Dancing (ages 13+)

Fridays, June 18 and 25, 6:30 to 8:45 p.m.

Cost: \$5 general admission, \$4 for Southern Nevada Old Time Contra Dancers members.

Charleston Heights Arts Center, 800 S. Brush St., (702) 229-6383.

Cosponsored by Southern Nevada Old-Time Contra Dancers, the National Folk Organization, and the city of Las Vegas.

Scottish country dancing is the beautiful "ballroom" dance of Scotland and may be lively and joyful or gentle and graceful. From the first chord to the final bow or curtsy, participants will be inspired by the driving reels, jaunty jigs, snappy strathspeys or lilting slow airs. Dancers should wear comfortable clothes and soft shoes (such as gillies, ballet slippers or jazz shoes). Ladies will find that skirts help them to enjoy the natural flow of the dance. Kilts are not required, but are heartily encouraged. Ask about a ticket book for 12 dance nights.

Gran Tardeada Cultural Fiesta en la Plaza (all ages)

Friday, June 18, 7 p.m.

Free admission, open to the public.

East Las Vegas Community/Senior Center Bandstand, 250 N. Eastern Ave., (702) 229-1515.

Join us in this celebration of Latin American cultures. Regional music and dance presented by local community performers.

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Free Family Film in the Park (all ages)

Friday, June 18, 7:30 p.m. Movie will begin at dusk.

Centennial Hills Park Amphitheatre, 7101 N. Buffalo Drive at Deer Springs Way.

Bring the family, your favorite picnic basket and a cozy blanket for a night at the movies with Councilman Steve Ross, sponsored by the Centennial Hills Sam's Club. Enjoy the PG-rated "Cloudy with a Chance of Meatballs" family film under the stars. Popcorn will be served while supplies last. Please call 229-3516 for more information.

The Poets' Corner (adults)

Friday, June 18, 7:30 p.m.

No admission charge.

West Las Vegas Arts Center, 947 W. Lake Mead Blvd., (702) 229-4800.

Keith Brantley hosts a forum for established poets and open-microphone participants.

Jamie Shaheen – "Everybody's Happy When They're Singing" (all ages)

Wednesday, June 23, 11:30 a.m. and 2 p.m.

Tickets: \$3

Charleston Heights Arts Center, 800 S. Brush St., (702) 229-6383.

Jamie Shaheen's catchy original songs form the basis of the "Everybody's Happy When They're Singing" show – a sing-along and dance-along celebration for kids. A highly interactive performance, Shaheen leads the crowd in singing as a solo act. Audiences can't resist the urge to join in when her effervescent personality and irresistible sense of fun work their magic.

Youth Performing for Youth Summer Series – On With The Show! (all ages)

Wednesday, June 23, 1 p.m.

Tickets: \$3

Reed Whipple Cultural Center, 821 Las Vegas Blvd. North, (702) 229-6211.

Enjoy a performance by this youth vocal ensemble. Treat your children to live theatre experiences this summer and enjoy Las Vegas' very own talented young artists as they present afternoons of live entertainment June 16, 23 and 30. Choose from dancers, singers or percussionists, or better yet, attend all three events. Tickets are just \$3 for each performance.

Free 300th Army Concert and Rock Band Performance (all ages)

Wednesday, June 23, 7 p.m.

Free admission, open to the public.

East Las Vegas Community/Senior Center Bandstand, 250 N. Eastern Ave., (702) 229-1515.

The 300th Army Band is centrally located in Bell, Calif., at the Patton Army Reserve Center near Los Angeles. Members reside in areas from the San Fernando Valley to Las Vegas to San Diego. As Army Reserve soldiers, the musicians hold civilian jobs in many fields in and outside of music. Join us for a variety of music by these groups for all ages.

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Cine en el Centro Film Series Feature “Adiós con el Corazon”

Thursday, June 24, 6 p.m. introduction; 6:30 p.m. film

Free admission.

East Las Vegas Community/Senior Center Ballroom, 250 N. Eastern Ave., (702) 229-1515.

Series curator Luis Bonilla will introduce the film and lead a discussion in Spanish following the screening. Middle-aged lady-killer Juan (Juan Luis Galiardo) scratches out a living, getting by on his charisma and his gambling skills. But all bets are off when Caty (Laura Ramos) arrives on the scene, professing to be his daughter from a tryst two decades earlier. What ensues is a comical succession of events that turns Juan's life topsy-turvy in this final film from the state-of-Spain trilogy by director José Luis García Sánchez. The *Cine en el Centro* Spanish-language film series is presented by the city of Las Vegas, Cox Communications, VeneMovies, Venevision International, *La Nueva* 103.5 FM, *Recuerdo* 99.3 FM, *Radio Variedades* 870 AM, *Tortillas Los Arcos* and *El Mercadito*. The movies, all award-winning, blockbuster films from Latin America and Spain, have been donated by VeneMovies and Venevision International to provide cultural enrichment to the Hispanic community. This 2000 unrated Spanish-language film runs 89 minutes.

Free Movie In The Park (all ages)

Thursday, June 24, gate opens at 7 p.m. Movie starts at dusk.

Sammy Davis Jr. Festival Plaza, Lorenzi Park, 720 Twin Lakes Drive at Washington Avenue.

Bring the family and a cozy blanket or low chairs for a night at the movies with Councilman Ricki Y. Barlow. Enjoy the PG-rated “Monsters vs. Aliens” family film under the stars. Popcorn will be served while supplies last. Other refreshments will be available for purchase. Please call 229-3516 for more information.

Saturday Contra Dancing (all ages)

Cosponsored by the Southern Nevada Old-Time Contra Dancers

Saturday, June 26, 7 to 10 p.m.

Tickets: \$7 adults; \$5 members, students, active military; \$3 children 16 and younger and non-dancing adults.

Charleston Heights Arts Center, 800 S. Brush St., (702) 229-6383.

Dance to the live music of an acoustic band playing joyful fiddle tunes, driving reels, circle mixers and a waltz or two. These lively community dances recapture aspects of New England and frontier barn dances, with more modern twists. All dances are taught and called, newcomers and families are welcomed. No need to bring a partner. Wear comfortable, soft-soled shoes and casual clothing.

Youth Performing for Youth Summer Series (all ages)**Percussion Dynamics with Rachel Julian**

Wednesday, June 30, 1 p.m.

Tickets: \$3

Reed Whipple Cultural Center, 821 Las Vegas Blvd. North, (702) 229-6211.

Treat the family to a performance by percussionist Rachel Julian.

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Exhibitions**“Double Vision: Two Unique Insights in Fabric & Thread”****Jean McLaughlin Cowie & Patricia Gould**

Through June 12, Monday through Friday, 12:30 to 8:30 p.m.; Saturday 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
Free admission.

Reed Whipple Cultural Center, 821 Las Vegas Blvd. North, (702) 229-6211.

Both artists explore their interests in the natural world around them through the medium of quilt making. The artists use landscape and environmental events to present the same world through two different perspectives. The exhibit will include quilted objects that transcend the traditional notion of quilt making to present work that is related to painting and sculpture.

“Cornerstones of Diversity”

Through July 9, Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Closed holidays.

Free admission.

Bridge Gallery, City Hall, 400 Stewart Ave., 2nd floor.

This exhibit features photographs of city employees who have volunteered to be represented for their diverse qualities. Visitors may reach the gallery through the second floor of the Las Vegas City Hall parking garage on the southeast corner of Stewart Avenue and Fourth Street. Parking is by paid meter only. Call (702) 229-1012 for information.

“Celebrating Life! 2010” Exhibition

May 21–July 1, Tuesday through Friday, 11 a.m. to 9 p.m.; Saturday 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Free admission.

Charleston Heights Arts Center, 800 S. Brush St., (702) 229-6383.

View selected and award-winning pieces in the ballroom from this annual art competition for Clark County residents. Categories include:

- Drawing and Pastel
- Mixed Media (printmaking, collage, computer graphics, etc.)
- Painting (oil, acrylic)
- Photography (black and white, color digital, Xerox, etc.)
- Watercolor and Gouache
- Sculpture and Ceramics (all 3-D media: hanging, wall, or free-standing, functional and non-functional).

Awards ceremony and reception will be Friday, May 21, 6 to 7:30 p.m. Additional entries may be viewed in the Salon de Refusés located inside the gallery at Charleston Heights Art Center through June 10.

“Art of Lists”**John Nieman**

June 25–Sept. 11, Tuesday through Friday, 11 a.m. to 9 p.m.; Saturday 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Free admission.

Charleston Heights Arts Center, 800 S. Brush St., (702) 229-6383.

John Nieman’s art is influenced by the work that he has done as an international advertising creative director, music director, author, and chef. As an artist, his work is characterized by striking composition, crisp colors, and strong shadows. In the body of work to be exhibited, the artist explores the connection between words and images as this combination can be powerful — especially when the link is playful and less than overt. The background is a pop culture list, anchored by a key visual which plays off the theme of the picture.

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